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CONDENSED TIME CARD, DEC. 26, 1875.

GOING NORTH.			
Station	Express	Express	Accom.
Cheboygan	7:00 P. M.	7:30 A. M.	
Traverse City	10:15	10:45	11:00 P. M.
Richmond	11:25	11:45	5:30 P. M.
Winchester	12:25	12:45	5:30 P. M.
Big Rapids	1:25	1:45	5:30 P. M.
Decatur	2:25	2:45	5:30 P. M.
St. Wayne	3:25	3:45	7:00 A. M.
Kendallville	4:25	4:45	8:30
Lafayette	5:25	5:45	9:15
Sturgis	6:25	6:45	9:45
Wadon & Leaning	7:25	7:45	10:15
Vicksburg	8:25	8:45	10:45
Kalamazoo	9:25	9:45	11:15
Gd. Rapids	10:25	10:45	11:45
Howard City	11:25	11:45	12:15
Big Rapids	12:25	12:45	1:15
Kendallville	1:25	1:45	2:15
Traverse City	2:25	2:45	3:15
Potosky	3:25	3:45	4:15

GOING SOUTH.			
Station	Express	Express	Accom.
Potosky	4:30 A. M.		
Traverse City	7:15	7:45	8:15 P. M.
Richmond	8:15	8:45	8:15 P. M.
Winchester	9:15	9:45	8:15 P. M.
Big Rapids	10:15	10:45	8:15 P. M.
Decatur	11:15	11:45	8:15 P. M.
St. Wayne	12:15	12:45	9:00 A. M.
Kendallville	1:15	1:45	9:30
Lafayette	2:15	2:45	10:15
Sturgis	3:15	3:45	10:45
Wadon & Leaning	4:15	4:45	11:15
Vicksburg	5:15	5:45	11:45
Kalamazoo	6:15	6:45	12:15
Gd. Rapids	7:15	7:45	12:45
Howard City	8:15	8:45	1:15
Big Rapids	9:15	9:45	2:15
Kendallville	10:15	10:45	3:15
Traverse City	11:15	11:45	4:15
Potosky	12:15	12:45	5:15

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It having been reported that I do not intend to remain in this place, I take this manner of informing the public that I intend to make this place my permanent residence, and shall in the spring open a first class drug store, where the best and purest French medicines shall be kept. All those who desire medical treatment for any malady I shall be happy to wait upon. nois-3m

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NORTHERN TRIBUNE.

SATURDAY, MAY 13, 1876.

Taxes on Railroad Lands.

O. M. Barnes, land commissioner of the Jackson, Lansing, & Saginaw railroad, has issued a circular in regard to the assessment and taxation of the lands belonging to that company, and claims that the taxes, as they have been heretofore assessed, are a great and crushing burthen, and states that "in all the well settled counties of the state lands are valued in the assessment rolls at no more than a third of their real value, often only a fourth. In many counties along the line of this road, north of the Saginaw valley, the company's lands are assessed at a value which is, on an average, higher than the price asked for them. The gross injustice of this will appear the more manifest to all right-minded men, when it is remembered that the improved lands assessed at one-third their value are productive and paying, while the wild lands assessed above their value are wholly unproductive. In looking at the lands of the railroad company it must also be remembered that they are not selected. A private purchaser selects of the government lands only such as he deems specially valuable. The railroad company has to take all as they come, the poor and worthless with the good. The assessor should take this into account. If in the future the taxes are placed as high as they have been in some towns the year past, we shall be forced to refuse payment, and be driven to bring suit to set them aside as we have done before. Both the Legislature and the courts have recognized the injustice done to us in excessive taxes."

The company own a large amount of land in this county, but as to their assessment and taxation heretofore we have no knowledge. We think, however, it would be well for the assessors in the different towns where these lands are located to take into consideration the above in making up their assessment rolls.

Our Harbor Buoys.

The Cheboygan harbor channel is now so distinctly marked out that there is no reason for boats not coming in the river when they desire to do so. There are four barrel buoys in position at the entrance of the harbor, two on the starboard side painted red, and two on the port side painted black. The two outer buoys are anchored on the line of the banks of the channel, in water 14 feet deep, natural depth. The inner buoys are placed on the same line, in water 10 feet deep, after passing the buoys, on the starboard bank of the channel is a row of six piles projecting six or eight feet above the water. Besides these marks there has been put up ranges, on the tops of which are flags, on one a red and on the other a white flag, and at night lamps are lighted on this range. Crafts coming into the river will find no difficulty if they follow the course as shown by the ranges, or by being guided by the buoys and piles, leaving the piles 30 or 40 feet to the starboard.

A Dry Dock Needed.

Last Tuesday night a vessel loaded with corn in passing through the straits on her way down was so badly damaged by the ice as to cause her to leak badly, necessitating her procuring the assistance of a steam pump to enable her to go on her trip. She stopped opposite our harbor and was taken in charge by the wrecking tug Leviathan, Wednesday morning. Had there been a dry dock at this point it would have been of great advantage to her, and saved the owners the expense of the use of the pump and a tow. The name of the vessel we did not ascertain.

Lumber Prospects.

Speaking of the prospects for the lumber trade in the valley, the Courier says: "There are a large number of buyers in the market, prices for lumber and shingles are well sustained, and the prospects are certainly very encouraging. The mills are starting much later than usual, which with the large shortage in the stock of logs, can but result in better times for the lumbermen of the valley than has been experienced in some years. The progress may be slow but it is sure, and we believe on the whole will be satisfactory."

Chicken Thieves Around.

Our citizens need to be on the lookout for their chicken roosts, for there are those in town who, having no fear of confinement in the county jail, have commenced their depredations. Last Tuesday night they visited the chicken-coop of Mr. G. D. V. Kollo and depopulated it of four fine hens, regardless of Mr. Kollo's feelings in the matter. It would be well for our citizens to be on the watch for the gentry and if any one is caught committing theft see that they are brought to punishment.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kelley have been to considerable expense in furnishing and fitting up their tonsorial parlors, and claim to have as nice a room as is to be met with in any town, and hope by polite attention and good work to merit a portion of the patronage of our citizens.

THE RAILROAD.

The Marquette & Mackinaw Railroad at Last Assured.

The Contract Let, Signed and Bonds Given—Work to be Commenced Soon—The Marquette Company the Contractors.

At last the construction of the Marquette & Mackinaw road is assured. The readers of the TRIBUNE are aware that since the failure of the company of eastern capitalists to close a contract for the building of the road, the Marquette company, the original contractors for its construction, have been negotiating with reference to taking the contract on the basis of their original bid; which proposition has been under consideration on the part of the State Board for some weeks past. Last Monday the Board of Control held the adjourned meeting mentioned in the TRIBUNE of last week, at which meeting a satisfactory adjustment of the minor difficulties between the interested parties was reached, and the contract was awarded to the Marquette company, and signed by all the members of the State Board, on the part of the state, and by Mr. W. L. Wetmore, president of the company, on behalf of the company. Bonds to the amount of \$100,000 was given for the complete and satisfactory performance of the contract. It is understood that the company will perfect their arrangements for going to work with as little delay as possible, and that every effort will be made to construct it as rapidly as can be done. The construction will be commenced from both ends of the line, in accordance with the requirements of the State Board. We congratulate the citizens of the northern portion of the state on the fact that this long needed railroad is at last a certainty, and that the efforts of Chicago parties to retard its construction have been thwarted.

The indications are that the roads in the southern peninsula will soon be pushed forward to the straits, and thus by the completion of these roads in the upper and lower peninsulas the two sections of the state will be more closely united, and the more rapid settlement of this northern section and consequent development of its resources be greatly aided.

River and Harbor Items.

The schooner C. C. Trowbridge, Captain Bullen, arrived Sunday morning, bringing in a partial cargo of supplies for G. P. Langdon, and loaded with cedar post from Mr. Langdon for Chicago. She cleared and started for Chicago Wednesday. The Trowbridge was the first vessel to arrive for a cargo this season, and was one of the last to leave here last fall.

We understand a vessel loaded with grain went ashore last Saturday night, a short distance above this place, during the fog that prevailed, but was taken off without much damage.

The tug Truscott and Maud Sammons brought a tow of timber across Mullet lake, reaching the river last Monday morning.

The Bismarck was successfully launched last Wednesday morning, and we understand works splendidly since the recent improvements made upon her. She is improved very much in appearance.

The Truscott has been engaged towing square timber from up the river.

The St. Joe arrived yesterday morning, early, well loaded with freight, which she discharged at this port, and also a number of passengers. She remained about three hours, and then proceeded to Mackinaw.

The bark Cavalier arrived yesterday morning, and is loading square timber for the Quebec market.

F. M. Sammons is progressing with the work on his scow, it being all completed but the bow. They will probably have her ready to launch by the latter part of next week.

The yacht North Star has made a number of trips between this place and the Island this week.

The steamer Marine City arrived this morning with a considerable amount of freight and quite a number of passengers.

The Telegraph Cable.

It is well known to our citizens that the telegraph cable across the straits has been broken for some time. Last week parties came up on the St. Joe for the purpose of repairing the break, but upon grappling for the cable and getting it up they discovered that there was about a half mile of the cable missing, and of course without the missing portion nothing could be done towards repairing it. It was necessary to send to New York for a new cable, which will take a week or two to procure. In the meantime all telegrams for the upper peninsula have to be sent by the way of Chicago. As soon as the cable can be had from New York it will be relaid.

ANONYMOUS LETTER-WRITERS.

BY R. D.

Traveling through a thick and tangled wood, I hear a hissing, rattling snake. It is the warning of the deadly rattlesnake. I look towards the sound, and behold he is coiled, with head erect, already for the deadly spring. I move aside in time to avoid his deadly fangs. He slowly uncoils himself, and I see a sight, than which there is nothing more disgusting—a death-dealing, crawling thing, as it moves away, cowardlike, along upon the ground until, at last, it finds a hiding place to shelter its cowardly body from the walking-stick I have in my hand. I see him no more, but he gave me fair warning that danger was near, and I move on.

Traveling along the tangled maze of life's journey, I receive an anonymous letter. It is written in the most friendly language, yet the writer is my most deadly enemy. He calls me his friend, and advises me as a friend; yet the bite of the rattlesnake is not more venomous than are the words of this hidden coward. He dare not meet me face to face and say what he wishes me to know, but he hides himself under the name of "your friend," and a disguised hand writes covers all.

The furnished wolf utters his dismal howl, his warning cry, as expecting soon to satiate his hunger upon the life blood which now flows through the veins of the deer he is pursuing to death. Beasts and reptiles never attack without giving a warning cry. The anonymous letter-writer is too cowardly to raise himself to a level with beasts or reptiles. Instead, he remains hidden. He is where you can never find him, and there he remains, only to throw his poisoned arrow to pierce you until your heart shall bleed with sorrow, or with fear, and trembling, you say, "Oh! where shall I flee from this mine enemy?"

The anonymous letter-writer—what language is there that can express the contempt, the utter loathing, the terrible disgust that all men should have of so foul a fiend. He is too mean, too live, move or have a being.

The rattlesnake is an angel compared to him, and I would sooner be incarcerated in his den with thousands of other closely encompassing me with their cold slimy forms, than undertake to withstand the silent thrusts of that miserable, low, degraded wretch, the anonymous letter-writer.

Human society, polite society, and for aught I know, you and I, kind reader, tolerate him, but we know it not, for he is too cowardly to tell his name. He is so mean that he knows it himself, and will not look you in the face; but instead away off, and you involuntarily are impressed with feelings that an enemy is in your presence.

So he remains hidden within himself—him nor no living mortal cannot find him: Do not look for him, it will be no use. He is too much a coward, and ever will be. You will receive his letter, his poisoned fangs pierce your flesh, and you cannot avoid it, for you do not know when it comes.

Congregational Association.

The Congregational general association of this state will convene at Pontiac, May 16th, and continue its sessions up to the night of the 19th. At the same time the meeting of the Michigan branch of the Women's Board of Missions will be held. The Congregational Church of this place, at the regular meeting for services last Sunday night, appointed Rev. J. L. Maile and wife delegates to represent the church at the association. A very interesting meeting is anticipated.

Camp Meeting Ground.

The committee of the M. E. State Conference camp ground visited Potosky last week for the purpose of inspecting the grounds and completing the plans for platting the same. It is proposed to expend the sum of \$2,000 this season in the improvement of the grounds, and it is expected that by the time of the first camp meeting, August 2d, that there will be at least twenty-five cottages erected, which will be occupied during that meeting. This will give the grounds quite a village-like appearance.

New Boat in Traverse Bay.

We learn from the Potosky Democrat of last week, that Mr. Chrysler was daily expecting the arrival of his new boat, the W. W. Wright, which is to run between that place and Little Traverse. She is a much larger boat than has heretofore been employed between those two places, and is capable of carrying 200 passengers at one trip. This will be quite an acquisition to our neighboring towns, and we hope may prove a successful venture for the proprietor.

Church Services.

There will be services at the Congregational Church to-morrow, both morning and evening. Preaching in the morning at 10:30, and in the evening at 7:30. Rev. R. M. Thompson, the new pastor, will preach at both services. Sunday school immediately after the morning service. All are cordially invited and will be made welcome.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

There aren't many centenarians, but there are deadloads of narycentarians. While a flock of wild geese was passing over Idaho recently a goose egg fell to the ground.

There are enough Presidential candidates; what this country wants and must have is more base ball clubs. "What is your business, sir?" asked the court in a sharp voice. "A conchologist."

There is economy in traveling on the first mail trains. You make what you eat go a great deal further in a given length of time.

A movement is on foot in Washington to bring out Bishop Simpson as a candidate for President.

A granger writes to a rural paper to ask "how long cows should be milked?" "Why, the same as short cows, of course," adds another rural editor.

A bricklayer recently died in London who was found to have the heaviest brain on record; it weighed 65 ounces. The man could neither read nor write.

It is stated that the Sunday question will be discussed by the Centennial commission, with a possibility that the grounds may be open on Sunday, after all.

"Why do you chew tobacco?" said a city minister to a newsboy who was rolling a quid in his mouth. "To get the juice outen it," was the reply of the little wretch.

"A Roman licitor," said Bates, whose historical information comes by detail on the fly. "A Roman licitor! Well, I s'pose she deserved it. No one but the Roman knows."

Why should the beehive be taken as a symbol of industry? Not a bee is to be seen all winter long, while the cockroach is up at five o'clock in the morning, and never goes to bed till midnight.

There is one thing about a hen that looks like wisdom—they don't cackle much till they have laid their eggs. Some folks are always bragging and cackling what they are going to do beforehand.

Great annoyance has been caused the manager of the machinery hall at the Centennial by the bad faith of persons who engaged space and subsequently declined to occupy it. Over 400 such cases have occurred.

A Harrisburg man who boasted he'd never seen the horse that could throw him, was landed in a druggist's show window about five minutes afterward, amid a chorus of "There's a light in the window for you."

Two of the old Red Stockings have joined a choir, says the Graphic. One of them officiates as short stop on the organ, and the other sings third base. Their interest is concentrated on the Tunes of Nine.

A subscription paper was lately circulated in New Orleans with the following object in view: "We subscribe and pay the amount set against our names for the purpose of paying the organist and a boy to blow the same!"

A postal card was received at the post-office in Rochester the other day, with the following address in German: "To my cousin who lives four miles from Rochester on a farm of forty acres, the cars runs through his land and he has ten red heifers."

A young gentleman sent a note to a lady friend inviting her to the theater to see "Richelieu." He closed by saying, "Don't fail to be at home this evening." The lady answered the note by saying, "There's no such word as 'fail' in my lexicon—Webster's."

We have a suspicion that, after all, the millennium must be within hailing distance. At a funeral in Niagara, Canada, recently, the members of the Orange Lodge and of the St. Patrick's Temperance society took part in the procession, each body wearing regalia.

A paper company in Holyoke, Mass., has manufactured an immense ream of paper for the Centennial. The sheets are 6x18 feet, the ream weighs about a ton, the value of the 480 sheets is \$1,500, and if cut into ordinary sheets of note paper they would make 500,000 sheets.

A pompous fellow was dining with a country family, when the lady of the house desired the servant to take away the dish containing the fowl, which we read she pronounced fool, as it was uncommon in Scotland. "I presume, madam, you mean fowl," said the pri-, in a reproving tone. "Very well," said the lady, a little nettled, "be it so; take away the fowl and let the fool remain."

The shooting match at Indianapolis, May 5th, between A. A. Bogardus, of Illinois, and Wm. G. Price, of London, England, for the championship of the world and the English badge, 100 birds each, resulted as follows: By the English rules, from five traps, 30 yards rise, Bogardus, 41; Price, 36. Fifteen pairs, 18 yards rise, Bogardus, 24; Price 21. Twenty single birds, 21 yards, Bogardus, 19; Price, 15. Total—Bogardus, 94; Price, 72.

STATE NEWS.

The Baptists of Portland have contracted for a new church. Chas. Sifton, the Bay City trunk thief, goes to Jackson for a year.

A night train is now run each way between Detroit and Bay City. Frank Williamson, head clerk in the postoffice at Albion died May 3.

Farmington township, Oakland county, is to build a town hall \$4,000. They are plowing up a fine crop of healthy potato bugs in Kent county.

Even the paupers in the Adrian poor-house love each other and get married. There is but one vacant store in Big Rapids and dwelling houses are at a premium.